



Love Our Community Christmas Frequently Asked Questions

What is Love Our Community?

Love Our Community is a local non-profit organization dedicated to our mission of connecting neighbors to raise awareness, cultivate relationships, build trust and restore hope. More information can be found at www.loveourcommunity.net

What is Love Our Community Christmas?

“Love Our Community Christmas” is a shopping event sponsored by area churches, businesses and individuals. During the event, under-employed families are invited to purchase new, unused gifts at a fraction of their original prices. Families can purchase gifts such as bikes, scooters, skateboards, games, arts and crafts kits, sports toys, etc. and spend no more than \$16 per child.

When is Love Our Community Christmas?

Saturday, December 14 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Is Love Our Community Christmas the same as Adopt a family?

LOC Christmas was created to work with families to pick out the gifts they know their kids will love most. There are a variety of choices, all based on suggestions made by families when they fill out the application. This day includes a meal, Christmas tree and decoration raffles, a time to relax and shop for your children. We are excited to offer gift wrapping. Same day delivery is available for large items.

Where is Love Our Community Christmas?

We will be at the GentleBrook Event Center @ 940 W. Maple Street

Who can attend?

Parents/Caregivers with children in their household from birth through high school must be referred and given an application from a local school, church or social organization.

Do I have an assigned time?

Specific times will not be assigned. However, there will be either a morning or an afternoon shopping session assigned. When guests arrive they will be given a number and will be greeted in that order to shop with a volunteer. We have ensured that there will be a great selection of gifts whether you shop first or last.

What is the cost?

Gifts will be priced at \$1, \$5, and \$10. You will be able to purchase one gift from each price category for each of your children. You will also have the opportunity to choose several free items for each child.

Do you accept charge cards?

This event is **CASH ONLY**. Checks and credit cards can NOT be accepted.

What type of gifts can I expect to purchase?

Bikes, scooters, games, electronics, dolls, arts & crafts, LEGOS, dolls, etc.

How do I register?

Complete and return by the date indicated the application from the referral source with your family information, including employment status, household income, children in the home and schools they currently attend.

Can I bring my children?

This is an **ADULT ONLY** opportunity to have a relaxed and stress-free time to shop for your children.

What can I expect?

You will be greeted at the registration table and be assigned a number. Relax and enjoy a delicious meal while visiting with friends and volunteers while waiting for your number to be called. A volunteer will assist you and explain the room setup and help you make your selections and load your shopping cart. Don't forget to enter for a door prize drawing! After you have completed your shopping and made your free selections you will proceed to the checkout and then on to the gift wrapping area. Volunteers will be available to help you to your car.

How will I know if I have been accepted to shop on December 14?

You will be contacted by Nov 6 to confirm your acceptance to shop. Please make sure there is a working contact number and email.

We are looking forward to serving with you over the holidays! If you have any questions please reach out to:

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